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16 November 1965

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 16 November 1965

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[] of ORR gave a briefing on Southeast Asia. (See Action 1)

DD/I noted Bill Bundy's opposition to having a meeting with Kissinger in intelligence circles. He reported that Bundy intends to call the DCI. He noted a favorable reaction from Walt Rostow on an ORR memo covering the ChiCom economy. He tabled a report on the intelligence production by DDI/DDS&T for Fiscal Year 1965.

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Kent noted the receipt of a letter to the DCI from General Carroll requesting a SNIE on South Vietnam. He reported that DIA had agreed to a 16 December date for completion of this paper.

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[] reported that he had spoken with Tom Hughes concerning Ambassador Anderson's questions on the Department's support for the USUN Delegation. The DCI said that he would talk with Tom Hughes about this.

Bannerman noted that the dental health insurance program in the Agency would be cancelled as of 1 January 1966.

Houston noted that he will be forwarding a memo to the DCI soon concerning the terminology used in discussions on freedom of space. (See Action 2)

Bross reported that Clifford had received the package of China papers prior to his meeting with the President.

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Wheelon gave a status report []
[] He also raised the question of JAEIC members opposing an intelligence community-wide response to a series of questions by

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General Wheeler. (See Action 3) Wheelon requested guidance on the number of Agency personnel who should attend the Air Force R&D briefings tomorrow in the Agency. It was agreed that the number would be kept down [REDACTED]

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He also noted that McGeorge Bundy had told him that he had been offered a position with the Ford Foundation, as was reported in the press, but that no decision has been made.

DCI informed the DD/I that he has further views on the Collection Guidance Staff and will hold further discussions on this matter.

ACTIONS:

1. The DCI requested an assessment of the possible alternatives which could be used rather than natural tin. (DD/S&T -- by 1 December)
2. The DCI requested that the DD/I consider drafting a memo on the question of freedom of space.
3. The DCI requested that the question of a JAEIC response to General Wheeler's questions be put on the USIB agenda for this week

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and that copies of Wheeler's letter to the DCI be furnished to the members.

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5. The DCI requested a memo on the current status of Viet Cong and North Vietnamese military leadership. (DD/I -- by 22 November)

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